

# COMMISSION ON CORRECTIONAL PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING

**Approved** 

# Education Committee Meeting Thursday, November 21, and Thursday, December 12, 2002 CPOST Headquarters

#### In Attendance – November 21

Dr. Janan Hayes, Committee Co-Chair Ms. Pat Ellington, Committee Co-Chair Ms. Merrie M. Wilson, CPOST Staff, Recorder Lt. Dennis Kent, Committee Member Capt. Steve Komure, DYA, Committee Member Mr. Jim Ham, CPOST Staff

### **Committee Member(s) Absent:**

Mr. Tom Carey, Committee Member Capt. Ellen Melton, Committee Member Lt. Pietro DeSantis II, Committee Member Ms. Sharon Lamar, Committee Member

# <u>In Attendance – December 12</u>

Dr. Janan Hayes, Committee Co-Chair Ms. Sharon Lamar, Committee Member Ms. Merrie M. Wilson, Recorder

### **Committee Member(s) Absent:**

Mr. Tom Carey, Committee Member Capt. Ellen Melton, Committee Member Ms. Pat Ellington, Committee Co-Chair Lt. Pete DeSantis, Committee member

## I. Introductions

The Education Committee meetings were held on Thursday, November 21 and reconvened following the CPOST Commission meeting on Thursday, December 12, 2002 at CPOST Headquarters, 3161 Dwight Road, Elk Grove, CA. The Committee Co-Chairs, Dr. Jan Hayes and Ms. Pat Ellington, and recorder, Merrie M. Wilson, were present. A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 10:10 a.m. Introductions followed.

## **II. Draft Minutes From Previous Meeting**

Dr. Hayes moved to approve the minutes from the September 16, 2002 Education Committee meeting; the motion was seconded. A vote was taken and the motion carried. Committee meeting for presentation at the December CPOST meeting. Copies of the revised documents are attached.

#### III. DISCUSSION OF MT. SAN JACINTO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT COURSE OUTLINES:

- a. General comments regarding application: The course forms submitted by the college do not include prerequisite, co-requisite or entry skills. This causes a concern on the part of the Education Committee regarding the level at which the courses will be taught. There is particular concern about those courses that are considered transferable and could be a part of a future bachelors degree program.
- b. Only a cover sheet was received for Correctional Interviewing and Counseling. In back of the cover sheet was a duplicate of the Control and Supervision in Corrections course

materials. {A complete copy of the information was received later on this course. Action on it will be taken at the next Education Committee meeting.}

# c. Action on individual courses:

- 1. <u>Introduction to Corrections</u>: Submitted information mirrors CPOST model outline. Course is approved assuming the entry skills considerations will be addressed.
- 2. Control and Supervision in Corrections: Members of the committee expressed concern that there was no indication of either experience in Corrections as a prerequisite to this course. Without the indicated prerequisite, it would be very difficult to cover the course materials without extensive regression to an introductory level. The course follows the CPOST model outline, but before approval, the committee would like a response to the concern about outline topics being covered without some prerequisite.
- 3. <u>Criminal Law</u>: Submitted information mirrors CPOST model outline. Therefore, the course is approved assuming entry skills considerations will be addressed. This is particularly important because this is a recognized baccalaureate level course.
- 4. <u>Legal Aspects of Corrections</u>: The committee had a major concern with this course showing no prerequisite of Criminal Law. The CPOST model course outline assumes that an individual has had Criminal Law and that this information is not repeated in Legal Aspects. The Committee requests clarification on their concern before action is taken on the course.
- 5. <u>Public Safety</u>: One of the clear distinctions that make a more general Public Safety Communications course acceptable under CPOST guidelines is that examples will be included from Corrections. This may be from local, state and/or federal corrections environment, but must include California State Corrections. Since the example text and assignments are strictly police examples, there is a concern about the breadth of public safety included in the course. A clarification of this issue is needed before the course can be approved.
- d. Next Step: The Education Committee reported to CPOST on December 12, 2002 that the two indicated courses have been approved. The college may include them in any of their literature. The commission was also informed that information clarifying pre/corequisites was needed on three courses and that a complete course outline was needed on one course.
- e. **Reconvened Meeting:** Following the CPOST Commission meeting, some members met with aim of completion of action on Mt San Jacinto College courses. No additional information had been obtained and so no actions were taken.

#### IV. Adjournment

There being no further business or discussion, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting of the Education Committee will be scheduled for immediately after the Thursday, May 8, 2003 meeting of the CPOST Executive Board.

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Merrie M. Wilson Office Technician, CPOST Recorder